

# United States District Court, Northern District of Illinois

Name of Assigned Judge or Magistrate Judge	Virginia M. Kendall	Sitting Judge if Other than Assigned Judge	
CASE NUMBER	10 C 7986	DATE	December 21, 2010
CASE TITLE	Denard Nelson (2009-1016189) v. John Doe		

**DOCKET ENTRY TEXT:**

The plaintiff's motion to proceed *in forma pauperis* [3] is denied, without prejudice. The plaintiff is directed to submit a renewed i.f.p. petition that is certified by a trust fund officer; he must also attach copies of his prison trust fund ledgers showing his income for the six months preceding the filing of this action [that is, from June 16, 2010 through December 16, 2010]. Failure to comply within thirty days of the date of this order will result in denial of leave to proceed *in forma pauperis* and summary dismissal of this case. The Clerk is directed to provide the plaintiff with a blank i.f.p. petition along with a copy of this order. The plaintiff is reminded that he must provide the court with the original plus a judge's copy of every document filed.

■ [For further details see text below.]

Docketing to mail notices.

## STATEMENT

The plaintiff, a pretrial detainee at the Cook County Jail, has brought this *pro se* civil rights action pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1983. The plaintiff claims that the defendants, John Doe Chicago Police Officers, violated his constitutional rights by improperly arresting him, detaining him at a police station and denying him medical care.

The Clerk has accepted this *pro se* civil rights complaint for docketing pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 5(e) even though it was not submitted in compliance with the rules of this court. An incarcerated person seeking leave to proceed *in forma pauperis* must obtain a certificate from a jail official stating the amount of money the detainee has on deposit in his or her jail trust fund account. To enable the court to make the necessary assessment of an initial partial filing fee, the prisoner must also "submit a certified copy of the trust fund account statement (or institutional equivalent) for the detainee for the 6-month period immediately preceding the filing of the complaint or notice of appeal, obtained from the appropriate official of each prison at which the prisoner is or was confined." 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a)(2). In the case at bar, the plaintiff has failed to include copies of his prison trust fund ledgers.

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**STATEMENT (continued)**

In short, if the plaintiff wants to proceed with this lawsuit, he must submit a certified i.f.p. petition, along with copies of trust fund ledgers showing his income for the six months preceding the filing of this lawsuit [that is, from June 16, 2010 through December 16, 2010]. The Clerk will provide the plaintiff with a blank i.f.p. application. Failure to comply [or, in the alternative, to submit the statutory filing fee of \$350.00] will result in summary dismissal of this suit. *See Zaun v. Dobbin*, 628 F.2d 990 (7th Cir. 1980).